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In response to the Office Action (copy enclosed) dated March 8, 2002 respectfully submitted herewith is the signed and dated Combined Declaration of the inventor (2 pages) in compliance with 37 CFR 1.63 (including 1.66 or 1.68) and 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by PCT International application no. and international filing date and with power of attorney.

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Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that the accompanying Response to Notification of Missing Requirements under 35 USC 371 in the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US), signed Combined Declaration (2 pages), and check 14549 \$130.00 surcharge are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks, Washington, D.C. 20231, on May 6, 2002.

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